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Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER		2. DATE OF FILING
Highmore Herald		9-25-03
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE
Weekly	52	$20.00 In-State $23.00 Out of State

4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers)

PO Box 435, Highmore, Hyde County, SD 57345-0435

5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers)

PO Box 435, Highmore, SD 57345-0435

6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER:

Mary Ann Morford

7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.

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8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.

9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)	1400	1400
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION 1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.	145	135
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)	939	926
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)	1084	1061
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION 1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS	47	47
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES	0	0
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)	1131	1108
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED 1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	266	290
2. Return from News Agents	3	2
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 – Should equal net press run shown in A)	1400	1400

I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER

Mary Ann Morford Owner

State of South Dakota)

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County of Hyde)

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Sworn to before me this 25th day of September, 20 03

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Notary Public

My commission expires July 8, 2004

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